

Captain in Michigan Civil Aeronautics Patrol



Top woman flyer in Detroit is Miss Earsley Taylor, a captain in the Michigan Civil Aeronautics Patrol. A pilot since 1939, Miss Taylor is part owner of the Wayne Aeronautical School operated at Detroit's City Airport.

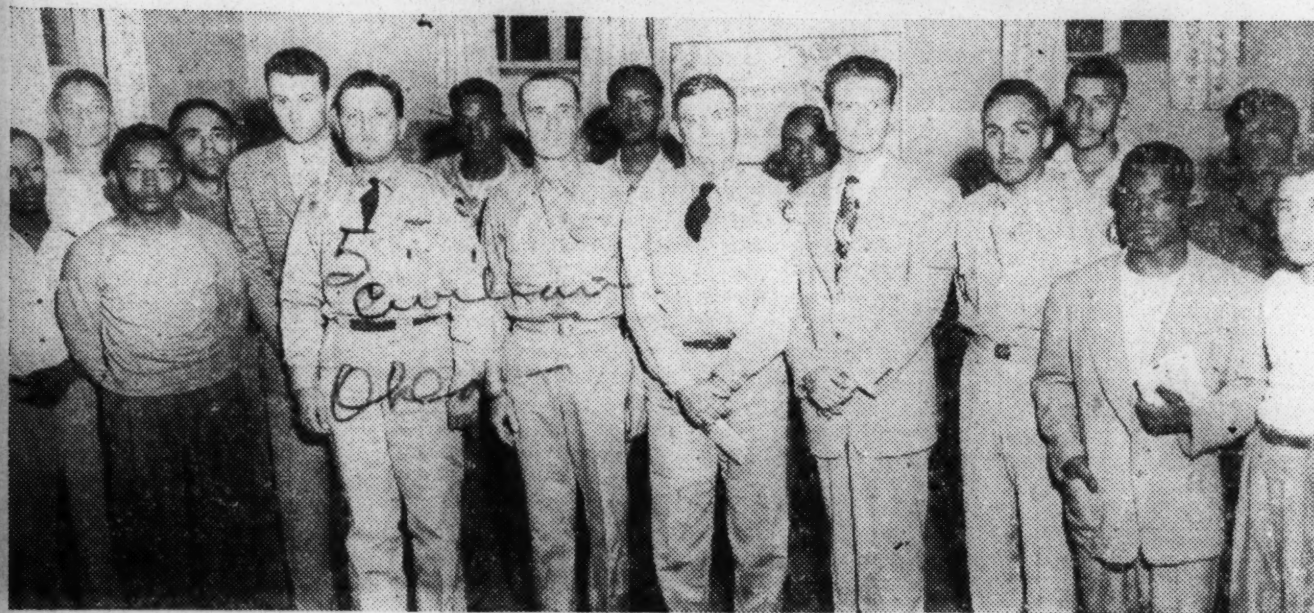
A NEGRO PILOT will take part in the Miami All-American Air Maneuvers for the first time in the show's history.

Officials last week announced Charles R. Foxx, 31, of Norfolk, Va., will be in the 15th annual All American, Jan. 18-19 at Opa Locka Airport.

Foxx, of Norfolk, Va., will perform daring stunts at a low altitude.

The ace stunt man is a graduate of Tuskegee Institute. He was a squadron commander at the primary flying school at Tuskegee during World War II.

Civil Air Patrol Organizes A Negro Unit



A unit of the Civil Air Patrol, the second in America and the first in Oklahoma to be organized for Negroes, was formed Monday night at the W. L. Hutcherson branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. Photographed above are the organizing officers and the charter members.

Left to right, front row—Jack Whilwhite, David Harding, Major Jack Gaygan, Col. W. H. Schockey, First Lieutenant C. L. R. Brown, Second Lieutenant G. E. Jones, Eugene White, and C. J. Russell. Back row, left to right—Johnny Tibbs, Nehone Palmer, Lieutenant Wayne Daniels, Simon Berry, Willie Armstrong, Maurice Walker, William Tibbs, and Johnny Brooks.

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Civil Air Arm Forms Negro Flight Here

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The Civil Air Patrol is a civilian organization sponsored by the Air Force. Its chief function is to teach American youth the fundamentals of aeronautics. In time of war, it serves as an auxiliary branch of the National Defense.

During World War II, aircraft of the C. A. P. flew twenty-four million miles over water. They spotted 173 subs, dropped bombs and depth charges on fifty-seven. They are officially credited with the sinking or damaging two submarines. They kept this work up until the Navy and the Air Force took over.

The smallest unit of the Civil Air Patrol is a flight, which consists of from fifteen to fifty-one members. Next comes the squadron, composed of fifty-one members or more.

The North Tulsa unit was organized as a flight. There will be another meeting tonight (Thursday) at 7 p. m. at St. Monica Hall, 619 Newton Place, and it is the hope of the sponsors that the meeting will be attended by a sufficient number of candidates to allow for the formation of a squadron.

Present Monday night to organize the unit were Col. William H. Schockey, State Wing Commander of the Civil Air Patrol, and Major Jack A. Gaygan, an Air Force officer who has been assigned to Oklahoma as liaison officer between the

Air Force and C. A. P. Also present were First Lieutenant D. R. [unclear] Tulsa C. A. P. Squadron Commander; Second Lieutenant G. E. Jones, of Msh. 1st C. A. P. officer, and First Lieutenant C. L. Thompson, also of C. A. P. Lieutenant Jones will be nominally in charge of the local unit. In Nashville, he was a member of the first C. A. P. squadron to be formed for Negroes.

Lieutenant Jones and Simon Berry, a member of the local unit, pooled funds to provide the flight with a 65 horsepower light plane, which is now based at North Airport. There is an arrangement under which they will be reimbursed by members of the local unit.

(See photo for names of members of local unit)